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Method And Apparatus For Strengthening Glass

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the application comprising:

- a. A specification containing:
 - (i) 52 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - (ii) 12 pages of claims (72 claims);
 - (iii) a one (1) page abstract;
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